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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc. KITV(TV) c/o Brooks, Pierce, et al. P.O. Box 1800 Raleigh, NC 27602

> Re: Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc. KITV(TV), Honolulu, HI Facility ID No. 64548 File No. BRCT-20060928ALC

Dear Licensee:

This refers to your license renewal application for station KITV(TV), Honolulu, HI.

In the Children's Television Act of 1990, Pub. L. No. 101-437, 104 Stat. 996-1000, *codified at* 47 U.S.C. Sections 303a, 303b and 394, Congress directed the Commission to adopt rules, *inter alia*, limiting the number of minutes of commercial matter that television stations may air during children's programming, and to consider in its review of television license renewals the extent to which the licensee has complied with such commercial limits. Pursuant to this statutory mandate, the Commission adopted Section 73.670 of its Rules (the "Rules"), 47 C.F.R. § 73.670, which limits the amount of commercial matter which may be aired during children's programming to 10.5 minutes per hour on weekends and 12 minutes per hour on weekdays. *Children's Television Programming*, 6 FCC Rcd 2111, 2118, *recon. granted in part*, 6 FCC Rcd 5093, 5098 (1991). The commercial limitations became effective on January 1, 1992. *Children's Television Programming*, 6 FCC Rcd 5529, 5530 (1991).

On September 28, 2006, you filed the above-referenced license renewal application for station KITV(TV). In response to Section IV, Question 5 of that application, you certify that, during the previous license term, station KITV(TV) failed to comply with the limitations on commercial matter in children's programming specified in Section 73.670 of the Rules. In Exhibit 19, you state that station KITV(TV) exceeded the children's television commercial limits by 15 seconds on April 3, 2005, and April 10, 2005. You indicate that each overage was caused by human error and/or inadvertence and describe remedial measures which were taken after these incidents to prevent a recurrence.

It appears from the information before us that the overages in question were isolated and inadvertent violations of the children's television commercial limits. Such *de minimis* violations of Section 73.670 of the Rules do not warrant further consideration in connection with KITV(TV)'s renewal application.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, a copy of this Letter shall be sent by First Class and Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc. at the address listed above, and to its counsel, Mark J. Prak, Esquire, Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard, LLP, P.O. Box 1800, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

Sincerely,

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